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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts of NonProvisional Application mailed February 4, 2004, said period of response being extended from April 4, 2004 to May 4, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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